GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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GOLDEN QUADRILATERAL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Centre has frozen disbursement of funds on second round for road building projects under the NHAI managed Corridor and Golden Quadrilateral projects;

(b) whether it was found that many states had diverted funds meant for building roads to other uses; and

(c) whether the Golden Quadrilateral project implementation is on schedule and likely to be completed by December 2003; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (R B.C.KHANDURI)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. The funds meant for building roads have not been diverted to other uses.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. The implementation of projects under Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) is progressing satisfactorily and is targeted for substantial completion by December, 2003. Out of the total length of 5846 kms of GQ, four-laning has already been completed in a length of 1159 kms. Four-laning of 4551 kms is in progress. Contract is expected to be awarded soon for the remaining length of 136 kms.